

## House Resolution No. 501

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Andrew Joseph Gordon of Troop 314, who will receive the prestigious Eagle Scout Award during a Court of Honor ceremony to be held March 9, 2003, at Platte Woods United Methodist Church; and

**Whereas**, Andrew Gordon earned the praise and respect of many for the enthusiasm and initiative he displayed in regard to his Eagle Project which involved constructing a rock footbridge and laying rock on a section of the path at the Parkville Nature Sanctuary; and

**Whereas**, during his twelve years in the Scouting program, Andrew Gordon earned an impressive forty-one merit badges, received the Coup of the Long Trail Award, attained Brotherhood membership in the Order of the Arrow and Warrior status in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say, attended five years of summer camp at the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation, and participated in a High Adventure Trip to the Packard High Adventure Base in Poncha Springs, Colorado, where he climbed to the summit of Mount Shavano; and

**Whereas**, Andrew Gordon has readily prepared himself for the challenges of the outside world through his important terms of service to his Troop as Patrol Leader and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader; and

**Whereas**, Andrew Gordon has received a tremendous amount of guidance and support from those who have influenced his Scouting career, including his uncle, Peter Thornton, and his brother, John, both of whom are also Eagle Scouts; and

**Whereas**, an active member of Platte Woods United Methodist Church, Andrew Gordon is a junior at Park Hill High School where he has participated in the Marching, Symphonic, and Jazz bands; and

**Whereas**, born in Kansas City on May 30, 1986, Andrew Gordon has achieved all of this and more with the love, support, and encouragement he has continually received from his proud parents, Joe and Mary Jane Gordon, and his older brother, John, a junior at Kansas State University:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Andrew Gordon at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing him only the very best as he continues to uphold the Scouting tradition with both honor and decorum; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout Andrew Joseph Gordon.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Susan C. Phillips  
District No. 32

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 501, adopted February 26, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker